## RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER JUL 2 0 2004

100.2423 Kochanski 57-4



**PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Kochanski et al.

Serial No.:

09/845,561

Filed:

April 30, 2001

For:

METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR TEXT TO SPEECH PROCESSING

USING LANGUAGE INDEPENDENT PROSODY MARKUP

Group:

2655

Examiner:

McFadden, Susan Iris

Durham, North Carolina July 20, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **Amendment**

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of April 20, 2004, please amend the above identified application as follows: